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In re Application of :
Aizawa et al. :
Application No. 09/800,670 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
Filed: 8 March, 2001 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
Attorney Docket No. Q63394 :

This is in response to the renewed petition filed under 37 CFR 1.47(a) on 20 May, 2002.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioners have shown that the legal representative of the deceased inventor could not be located despite diligent efforts. Petitioners have also provided a copy of an envelope showing that a letter sent to the last known address of the legal representative of the deceased inventor was returned as undeliverable by the Japanese post office. Additionally, the declaration of Kenichi Morita establishes that despite efforts including contacting the deceased inventor's former employer, his legal representative (his widow) could not be located.

The above-identified reissue application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing legal representative at the address given in the Declaration. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 703-308-6918.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "D. Wood".

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In re Application of
Aizawa et al.
Application No. 09/800,670
Filed: 8 March, 2001
For: LUMINESCENCE BY REACTING AN ACRIDINIUM ESTER WITH SUPEROXIDE

Dear Ms. Ikariyama:

You are named as the legal representative of the deceased joint inventor in the above identified United States reissue patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application the deceased inventor will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As the named legal representative you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Petitions Attorney Douglas I. Wood at 703/308-6918. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at 703/308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at 703/308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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